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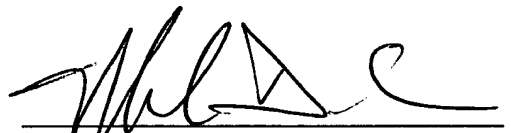
REMARKS

Enclosed herewith is a Notice of Appeal, appealing the Examiner's rejections of record. Applicant reserves the right, and intends to, traverse the rejections of record in this case. In particular, however, applicant wishes to point out to the Examiner that the publish/subscribe concept, known in the art as "pub/sub" technology is well known in the art and is clearly defined in the present application on page 5. Further, the Walker reference cited by the Examiner is clearly not directed to, describing, or used in a pub/sub environment. Accordingly, rejection of the claims based on the Walker reference is inappropriate. Applicant, by its undersigned attorney, invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned by telephone if there is a desire to discuss the present rejection, the Walker reference, and the pending claims in an attempt to come to an understanding and avoid the appeal process.

Respectfully submitted,

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